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***"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS'
AFFAIRS."***

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (a) of section 12-20a of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
5 *1, 2004*):

6 (a) On or before January first, annually, the Secretary of the Office of
7 Policy and Management shall determine the amount due to each
8 municipality in the state, in accordance with this section, as a state
9 grant in lieu of taxes with respect to real property owned by any
10 private nonprofit institution of higher education or any nonprofit
11 general hospital facility or free standing chronic disease hospital or an
12 urgent care facility that operates for at least twelve hours a day and
13 that had been the location of a nonprofit general hospital for at least a
14 portion of calendar year 1996 to receive payments in lieu of taxes for
15 such property, exclusive of any such facility operated by the federal

16 government, except a campus of the United States Department of
17 Veterans Affairs Connecticut Healthcare Systems, or the state of
18 Connecticut or any subdivision thereof. As used in this section "private
19 nonprofit institution of higher education" means any such institution
20 engaged primarily in education beyond the high school level, the
21 property of which is exempt from property tax under any of the
22 subdivisions of section 12-81, as amended; "nonprofit general hospital
23 facility" means any such facility which is used primarily for the
24 purpose of general medical care and treatment, exclusive of any
25 hospital facility used primarily for the care and treatment of special
26 types of disease or physical or mental conditions; and "free standing
27 chronic disease hospital" means a facility which provides for the care
28 and treatment of chronic diseases, excluding any such facility having
29 an ownership affiliation with and operated in the same location as a
30 chronic and convalescent nursing home.

31 (b) The grant payable to any municipality under the provisions of
32 this section in the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 1999, and in
33 each fiscal year thereafter, shall be equal to seventy-seven per cent of
34 the property taxes which, except for any exemption applicable to any
35 such institution of higher education or general hospital facility under
36 the provisions of section 12-81, as amended, would have been paid
37 with respect to such exempt real property on the assessment list in
38 such municipality for the assessment date two years prior to the
39 commencement of the state fiscal year in which such grant is payable.
40 The amount of the grant payable to each municipality in any year in
41 accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately in the
42 event that the total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount
43 appropriated for the purposes of this section with respect to such year.

44 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section,
45 the amount of the grant payable to any municipality under the
46 provisions of this section with respect to a campus of the United States
47 Department of Veterans Affairs Connecticut Healthcare Systems shall
48 be as follows: (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, twenty per
49 cent of the amount payable in accordance with said subsection (b); (2)

50 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, forty per cent of such amount;
51 (3) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, sixty per cent of such
52 amount; (4) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, eighty per cent of
53 such amount; (5) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each
54 fiscal year thereafter, one hundred per cent of such amount.

55 [(c)] (d) As used in this section and section 12-20b, as amended, the
56 word "municipality" means any town, consolidated town and city,
57 consolidated town and borough, borough, district, as defined in
58 section 7-324, and any city not consolidated with a town."